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Police Ticket 305 Aggressive Drivers and Arrest 21 for DWI *Saturation Patrols Conducted During the Thanksgiving Weekend*

Howard County Police issued 305 citations for speed and made 21 DWI arrests over the Thanksgiving Holiday weekend. This initiative was part of a nationwide effort, *Click It or Ticket*, which focuses on the enforcement of adult seat belt use, child safety seat use and drunk driving laws. The initiative began on November 24 and continued through the Thanksgiving weekend – one of the most dangerous holidays for motorists.

Officers used saturation patrols and stepped up enforcement. Aggressive drivers and those who failed to buckle up themselves or their child passengers were ticketed. Anyone driving above the legal blood alcohol limit was arrested. Those offenders will face heavy fines and the possible loss of their license, depending on previous offenses.

Howard County Police are continuing to raise the public's awareness of the lifesaving and injury-reducing benefits of safety belt use and the dangers of aggressive and impaired driving. Police ask that people under the age of 21 avoid alcohol and adults of legal drinking age use good judgment and designate drivers when drinking.

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